## "The South 40"

by JAMES A SMITH
EXTENSION AGENT

It's better to buy a tractor that's 25% too big than one that's 10% too small.

Make sure the tractor is big enough to do the job.

You may want to strongly consider one that's loaded with labor saving power assets. They're easier to handle, safer and have better trade-in value.

Parts and service are, of course, always strong considerations.

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There will be three new varieties of Flue Cured Tobacco available for planting in 1970. They are Coker 213, McNair 133 and Speight G-28.

Performance date on these and other varieties will be mailed Flue growers after Christmas.

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College scholarship valued from $500 to $1600 are offered 4-H Club members. Total value of scholarships in 1969 was $175,600.

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Beef futures for August 1970 are $31.00.

Cattlemen can expect imports to continue to increase and exert pressue on the domestic products. This year 8% of the beef consumed is imported from 13 countries. New Zealand and Australia are the major suppliers.

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There appears to be an increasing concern by community leaders with the problem of a wider tax base, additional employment opportunities and personal incomes.

Statistics released this week compared per capita incomes by counties 1960-1965-1967. Appomattox County incomes for these years were: $1478-$1873-$2056. For the state the income was higher -- $1856-$2419--$2777.

In 1960 the county's per capita income was 80% of the state, but for 1967 this figure dropped to 74% even though income was up. Nationally, the per capita income in 1967 was $3137. In relation to the national figure, we have only 65% as much income.

Compared to some neighboring counties the per capita income is higher than Amherst, Buckingham, Charlotte, Cumberland, Fluvanna, Louisa, Lunenburg, Mecklenburg, Nelson, Nottoway and Prince Edward.

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If you're farming--you need to take a quick look at your farm accounts. You can possible save some tax dollars by making some purchases before the end of the year.

This year you'll be paying a 10% tax surcharge. This tax was been dropped to 5% for 1970 and due to expire June 30. Which means that 1970 surcharge will be 2 1/2%.

Let's assume that you are married and filing a joint return Your taxable income for 1969 is $5000. The tax is $810 plus $81 surcharge or a total of $891. Now, assuming the same situation for 1970, the tax is $810 plus $20.25 surcharge or a total tax of $830.25.

You could purchase your 1970 fertilizer before December 31 and reduce your 1969 tax load. It may pay to trade some machinery and take the 20% additional first year depreciation.

Every farm operation will have to be considered individually.

Remember, tax management is nearly as important as farm management. You can add dollars to your personal account by careful planning.

Non-farmers may find it helpful to make contributions to church or charity before January 1 to reduce their tax burdon.

## Social Security Questions & Answers

Send your questions to: Questions and Answers, Social Security Office, P. O. Box 2496, Lynchburg, Va. 24501.

Q — I do not intend to stop farming when I become 65 in two months. Will I be eligible for medicare hospital and medical coverage?

A — You can continue working past 65 and still be eligible for medicare protection. Since it is very important to enroll within the 3 months before you become 65, visit your social security office now with some proof of your age.

A — Early in 1965 I was injured as a result have been unable to work since. I filed for disability benefits and the claim was denied because it was thought that I would eventually be able to return to work. My doctor feels that I will not be able to work for another year. Is there any chance that I could now draw monthly benefits?

A — Yes. The 1965 amendments to the social security law changed the disability eligibility requirements to include persons who are unable to work for at least a year because of a severe disabling condition. You should check with your local social security office.

Q — I am getting ready to file an application for social security benefits since I will be retiring soon. What do I need to bring with me when I visit the social security office?

A — When you apply for social security benefits, you should take your social security card, birth certificate or other evidence of your age, and, if available, evidence your total earnings for your most recent year of work. However, if you do not have all of these documents, do not delay filing your application. Any evidence needed can be submitted after the claim is made.

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Requests for 1969 marketing year payments under the National Wool Act may be filed with the Appomattox County ASCS Office at any time prior to January 31, 1970.

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## Just In Time For Christmas

J. G. Franklin of the Hollywood Community, and his grandson, Roger Franklin, Jr., stopping in at Ed Harvey's for a chat, had something different to show in the way of a Christmas gift, a 13 point buck which Franklin shot during last year's season, then had mounted. He says it takes almost a year for a taxidermist to prepare the hide properly. The glass eyes come from Italy, and the mounting board is a gracefully carved section of fine walnut. Franklin is a member of the A&B Hunt Club.

Merry Christmas

The best of hopes are extended to you for a warm, happy holiday with friends you hold near and dear. And it is time to thank you for your loyal patronage.

T. HUNTER DICKERSON
APPOMATTOX, VIRGINIA

This season, it is our wish that your spirit be moved by the inspiration and hope that distinguished the first Christmas. And that its meaning then . . . of peace and good will toward men . . . will be its meaning now for you and your loved ones.

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FARMVILLE, VIRGINIA

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The stockings are hung by the chimney with care . . . there's an air of breathless expectation as the children eagerly listen for the sound of Santa's sleigh bells. As this glad spirit of Christmas spreads through every home, we wish for you and your family all the joys of giving and receiving, all the true blessings of the season. May your holiday be rich in good health and good cheer. To everyone, sincerest "Merry Christmas" greetings . . . and "Thank You".

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## PORTS
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### ...n County ...s Rebels

...County Governors ...behind in the last ...ches but the Appomattox ...23 in a basketball ...Tuesday night played ...here. It was the first ...season for the Gover... ...the Rebels suffered ...s lost against one

...ners led during the ...ter at one time but the ...allied back to take a ...behind the shooting ...ners. In the second ...ner had almost a ...show as Al Loving ...points in that quarter ...Rebels regained their ...third quarter. In the ...Adkins rallied for ...to pull the game out. ...Curtis, Nelson's high ...with 22 points, scored ...in the second half ...them coming in the ...Jeffries hit on six of ...and two field goals ...arter.

...ners were hot in the ...as they each shot ...from the floor. They ...the same percentage ...ners at around 44%. ...Rebels had a few more ...of your age, and, if available, evidence your total earnings for your most recent year of work. However, if you do not have all of these documents, do not delay filing your application. Any evidence needed can be submitted after the claim is made.

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Appomattox was led by Sammy Page, Paul Harvey and Kenneth Hawkins, all with 20 points as they accounted for 60 of the Rebels 71 points.

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Appo. | 20 | 19 | 16 | 16 | - 71 |
| Nelson | 14 | 26 | 13 | 22 | - 75 |

Rebel Scoring:

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Page | 9 | 2-6 | 20 |
| Harvey | 10 | 0-0 | 20 |
| Norconk | 0 | 1-2 | 1 |
| Williams | 3 | 2-2 | 8 |
| Hawkins | 8 | 4-8 | 20 |
| Wilson | 1 | 0-2 | 2 |
| Totals | 31 | 9-20 | 71 |

Nelson Scoring

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Loving | 8 | 3- 3 | 19 |
| Stevens | 3 | 3-11 | 9 |
| Bowling | 3 | 0- 0 | 6 |
| Spears | 7 | 1- 3 | 15 |
| Purvis | 8 | 6-10 | 22 |
| Morse | 1 | 2- 2 | 4 |
| Totals | 30 | 15-29 | 75 |

## Rebeletts Romp Nelson Girls

The Appomattox Rebeletts won their third game of the basketball season with a 54-18 romp over the Nelson County girls in a game played at Appomattox last Tuesday night. The Rebeletts have not lost any games this year.

Wanda Hillsman showed some forms of some great shooting as she dropped in 22 points, to take honors, all coming in the first half. Leonda Hudson and Cornelia Guill each had eight apiece and Kathy Martin had six. Hillsman and Hudson sat out most of the second half while most of the subs and other members of the team saw action. The Rebeletts had built up a 16-2 first quarter lead and made it 32-6 at halftime. Nelson got only one point in the third quarter and 11 in the last quarter.

After the starters were pulled, Lucy Martin, Kathy Martin and Guill sparked the defense. In the first half it was Thomas and Hudson as the whole team proved very aggressive.

Nelson was led by J. Bragg with five points and three other players had three each.

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| Appox. | 16 | 19 | 9 | 10 | - 54 |
| Nelson | 2 | 4 | 1 | 11 | - 18 |

Rebeletts Scoring: Hudson 8, Hillsman 22, L. Martin 3, K. Martin 6, Guill 8, Oliver, 1; Smith 1, Harris 2, Marsh 3.

## Rebeletts Down Dan River Girls

The Appomattox Rebeletts, coached by Leonda Hudson and Wanda Hillsman, beat the Dan River girls 44-28 in a basketball game played at Appomattox last Friday night. It was the fourth victory in as many games for the Rebeletts.

Appomattox held only a slim 13-9 lead at the end of the first quarter but came back to outscore the visitors 12-5 for a 25-14 lead at intermission. Hudson and Hillsman combined to score all of the Rebeletts points in that quarter. In the third quarter the lead was built up to 40-21 as subs for the Rebeletts took over and saw quite a bit of action.

Hudson had 19 points for the game and Hillsman had 15 to lead the Rebeletts. The Rebeletts were led by Kay Thomas and Becky Harris on defense, Cornelia Guill had all of the Rebeletts points in the fourth quarter.

Mary Dalton led Dan River with nine points and Laura Harrison had six as they accounted for more than half of the Dan River points.

The Rebeletts travel to Nelson January 2, for their next game.

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| Appox. | 13 | 12 | 15 | 4 | - 44 |
| D. R. | 9 | 5 | 7 | 7 | - 28 |

Rebeletts scoring: Hudson 19, Hillsman 15, Thomas 2, Harris 2, Guill 4, L. Martin 2.

## Rebels Lose To Dan River 60-54

The Dan River Riverman had a big third quarter to beat the Appomattox Rebels 60-54 in a basketball game played at Appomattox last Friday night. The win gave Dan River a 4-1 record and left the Rebels with a 1-4 mark.

Dan River led 24-20 after one period of play and 37-36 at the half. The difference was in the third quarter when the Rebels was outscored 14-8. In the last quarter Appomattox was forced to foul and try to get the ball in a one and one set up at the foul line. Dan River missed four straight one and ones and the Rebels rebounded each time, but could not score on the occassions.

The Rebels were 20 for 36 at the foul line but managed only 17 field goals as they had a lot of turnovers trying to work the ball into the middle for the baskets. Dan Rive ... 25 field goals and only lo of 24 foul shots.

Rodney Jackson led Dan River with 15 points while three other Rivermen were also in double figures. Bowe, Hunt and Avis had 12, 12, and 11, respectively.

Plicky Williams took game honors and led the Rebels with 22 points. His teammates Sammy Page and Kenneth Hawkins ripped the nets for 13 points apiece.

The Rebels travel to Nelson County for their next game on January 2.

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Rebels | 20 | 16 | 8 | 10 | - 54 |
| D. R. | 24 | 13 | 14 | 9 | - 60 |

Appox. Scoring:

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Harvey | 0 | 2-2 | 2 |
| Page | 4 | 5-8 | 13 |
| Hawkins | 4 | 5-8 | 13 |
| Williams | 8 | 6-12 | 22 |
| Norconk | 0 | 2-4 | 2 |
| Hendricks | 1 | 0-2 | 2 |
| Totals | 17 | 20-36 | 54 |

D. R. Scoring

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Richardson | 4 | 0-2 | 8 |
| Gibson | 0 | 1-3 | 1 |
| Bowe | 6 | 0-1 | 12 |
| Hunt | 5 | 2-4 | 12 |
| Avis | 4 | 3-4 | 11 |
| Outlaw | 0 | 1-5 | 1 |
| Jackson | 6 | 3-3 | 15 |
| Averette | 0 | 0-2 | 0 |
| Totals | 25 | 10-24 | 60 |

WE WISH YOU
A MERRY CHRISTMAS!

### Men's Bowling League

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|---|---|---|
| Best Furniture Co. | 28 | 14 |
| Sunoco | 28 | 14 |
| Country Club | 28 | 14 |
| W&W | 24 | 18 |
| Moses Motor Co. | 19 | 23 |
| Garment Co. | 18 | 24 |
| Post Office | 13 | 29 |
| Guill Cafe | 10 | 32 |

High Game—Jack Wood —154
High Set —Jack Woods —168
High Set —Jack Wood —368

### Ladies Bowling League

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|---|---|---|
| Flintstone | 31 | 8 |
| Rollingstones | 24 | 12 |
| Garment Co. | 11 | 28 |
| Alleycats | 9 | 27 |

High Game —Vivian A.Guill—118
High Set —Carolyn Mayberry — 309

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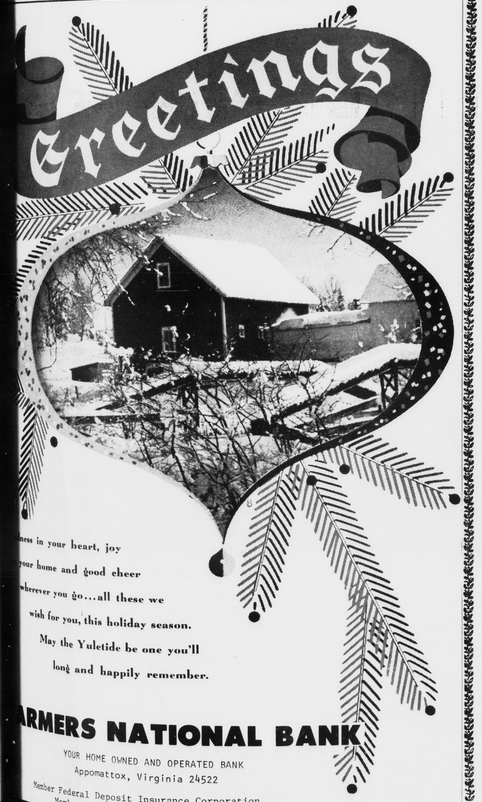
H. W. Conner - Postmaster
John T. Hall — W. E. Hancock
Wayne Lee — S. A. Lawson
Raymond Jamerson — W. C. Hubbard
Bill Sperry — R. W. Stanley
Virginia G. Doss — J. W. King




...ness in your heart, joy
...your home and good cheer
...wherever you go...all these we
wish for you, this holiday season.
May the Yuletide be one you'll
long and happily remember.

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When Jesus Was Born

"FOR UNTO YOU IS BORN THIS DAY IN THE CITY OF DAVID A SAVIOUR, WHICH IS CHRIST THE LORD." – LUKE 2:11

The Grecian World catered to culture,
Rome beckoned and bid for the strong.
The Religious world was troubled and trembled
In the time when Jesus was born.

Old Herod was filled with the Devil,
No time for Christ in the inn,
Money men were busy with taxes,
Men were lost and living in sin.

God's word began to move in prophecy
As predictions of ages unfurled.
A radiant star beckoned from Heaven,
Giving hope to a dark, dismal world.

Wise Men noted, and studied, and followed
As God's word led them from afar,
On man's greatest journey, God led them
Fulfilling the old Jewish Law.

The Law that was given by Moses
Now pointing the way to all men,
Above the human it pointed
Where divinity and eternity begin.

Isaiah's predictions moved into reality
Long ago on that first Christmas morn,
The Virgin conceived as was promised,
The Messiah of Israel was born.

He's the King, He will rule in His Kingdom,
Time and space are at His command,
All the worlds and the galaxies of Heaven
Are confined to the palm of His hand.

The angels with their anthems of Heaven
Praised Him on that first Christmas morn;
Praise God! He's the Saviour forever,
Thank God when Jesus was born.

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